



VOSH PROGRAM DIRECTIVE: 02-441

ISSUED: January 15, 2010

SUBJECT: Enforcement Procedures for High to Very High Occupational Exposure Risk to 2009 H1N1 Influenza

A. Purpose.

This directive transmits to field personnel enforcement policies and instructions to ensure uniform procedures when conducting inspections to minimize high to very high occupational exposure risk to the virus identified as 2009 H1N1 influenza of workers whose occupational activities involve contact with patients or contaminated material in a healthcare or clinical laboratory setting.

This Program Directive is an internal guideline, not a statutory or regulatory rule, and is intended to provide instructions to VOSH personnel regarding internal operation of the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health Program and is solely for the benefit of the program. This document is not subject to the Virginia Register Act or the Administrative Process Act; it does not have general application and is not being enforced as having the force of law.

B. Scope.

This directive applies to all VOSH personnel, and specifically to Occupational Health Compliance and Consultation Services personnel.

C. Reference.

OSHA Instruction CPL 02-02-075 (November 20, 2009).

D. Cancellation.

Not Applicable.

E. Action.

Directors and Managers shall ensure that the policies and procedures established in this Directive are followed.

F. Effective Date.

January 15, 2010.

C. Ray Davenport
Commissioner

Attachment: OSHA Instruction CPL 02-02-075 (November 20, 2009) or refer to:

http://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/Directive_pdf/CPL_02_02-075.pdf

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When the guidelines, as set forth in this Program Directive, are applied to the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry and/or to Virginia employers, the following federal terms if, and where they are used, shall be considered to read as below:

Federal Terms

VOSH Equivalent

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VOSH Standard

Regional Administrator

Commissioner of Labor and Industry

Area Director

Regional Director

Regional Solicitor

Attorney General or VOSH
Office of Legal Support (OLS)

Agency

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Office of Statistics

VOSH Research and Analysis

Compliance Safety and Health Officer (CSHO)
and/or Industrial Hygienist

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OSHA Directives:

VOSH Program Directives:

Field Inspection Reference Manual (FIRM)

VOSH Field Operations Manual (FOM)

OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-120 (CPL 2-0.120)
Inspection Procedures for the Respiratory Protection
Standard (9/25/98)

VOSH Program Directive 02-411,
Inspection Procedures for
the Respiratory Protection Standard,
§1910.134 (12/15/98)